



# Redondo Beach Police Department Community Based Policing Unit

For Community Distribution

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## Coyote Sighting Advisory

**Details:** Sometime between August 22<sup>nd</sup> and August 23<sup>rd</sup>, a coyote killed a cat in the area of Havemeyer Lane and Goodman Ave. Coyotes are found in all areas of Los Angeles County and they do not require “wild areas” to survive; they can live and survive in urban areas. Coyotes may be active any time of the day, but are most active from dusk to dawn.

### **There are 7 steps of coyote aggression:**

1. Increase in coyote presence at night in yards/streets.
2. An increase in coyotes non-aggressively approaching adults and/or taking pets at night.
3. Coyotes present on streets/parks/yards during morning or afternoon hours.
4. Coyotes chasing/taking pets in the daytime.
5. Coyotes attacking/taking leashed pets near their owners; coyotes chasing people exercising and other adults.
6. Coyotes present around children’s play areas/schools/parks during mid-day hours.
7. Coyotes acting aggressively towards adults during mid-day hours.



### **To delay aggression:**

- Chaperone your pets when they are outside, especially at night; always keep your pets on a leash, especially from dusk through early morning hours.
- Do not feed coyotes or any other wildlife.
- Keep pets & pet food inside. IF feeding outside, feed pets during the day (no more than one hour) and remove the food and water bowls when finished.
- Remove fallen foods from the ground; bag food wastes such as meat scraps or leftover pet food.
- Keep trash in containers with tight-fitting lids.
- Use “hazing” techniques to shoo away coyotes, such as standing tall, yelling and waving arms while approaching the coyote; use a whistle, air horn, bell, bang pots/pans together; stomp your feet; use a water hose, pepper spray, or throw tennis balls or rocks at the coyote.
- Never run away from a coyote.

**If a coyote is seen please call RBPD’s non-emergency number: (310)-379-5411.**

**In the event of an emergency please dial “911”**